

Little Cedars Elementary School

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HOME OF THE WOLVERINES



Our fundamental purpose is to create a student-centered learning community that welcomes everyone as we educate students to live in a democracy.

April 28th, 2011

Dear Families,

On Tuesday of next week we begin our MSP (Measurement of Student Progress) testing for our students in grades 3-6. The MSP measures student progress on what we want our students to know and be able to do at these grade levels and is based on our state content standards known as the GLE's (Grade Level Expectations) and PE's (Performance Expectations).

We look at the MSP testing time at Little Cedars as an opportunity for our students of ours to "show us what they know". It is very important as it is a reflection of their learning and it needs to be taken seriously, but it is certainly not something that we want them to feel stressed or be anxious about. We make every effort to create a positive, nurturing and encouraging place for your child during the testing times, while at the same time helping them understand that this is an important reflection of their learning.

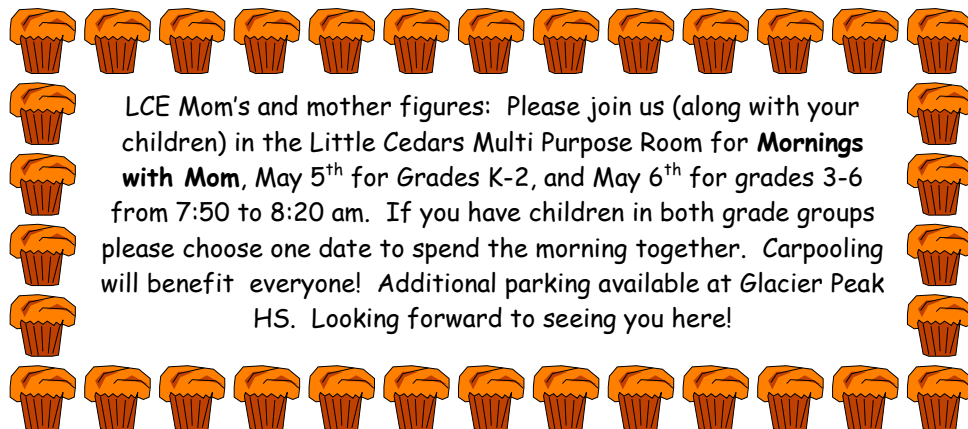
One critical piece of information that you need to know is the **absolute importance of your child being on time to school during testing.** If your child arrives at school late, they will not be admitted to class once the testing has begun. Also, they will need to make up the test at a later date, missing valuable instructional time. For this reason, I strongly encourage you to have your child ride the bus during WASL testing so they are assured of being here on time.

We have included the MSP testing schedule in the newsletter so you will know when your child will be taking their tests. Please contact your child's teacher if you have specific questions.

Partnering with you for your child's success,

Becky Brockman

Principal



LCE Mom's and mother figures: Please join us (along with your children) in the Little Cedars Multi Purpose Room for **Mornings with Mom**, May 5th for Grades K-2, and May 6th for grades 3-6 from 7:50 to 8:20 am. If you have children in both grade groups please choose one date to spend the morning together. Carpooling will benefit everyone! Additional parking available at Glacier Peak HS. Looking forward to seeing you here!

Becky Brockman, Principal
Sam Hanson, Dean of Students

Secretaries:
Sherri Hart
Jenny Lidington
Susan Smith

Calendar

April

29th PM Kindergarten attends

May

2nd-6th Staff Appreciation Week

1st Grizzly Cub Skate Deck
1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

2nd Mrs. Beck and Ms. Roepke's
Field Trip to The Seattle
Aquarium 9:00 a.m. to 2:30
p.m.

3rd Mrs. Williams and Ms.
Collins/Mrs. Murrell's Field
Trip to The Seattle
Aquarium 9:00 a.m. to 2:30
p.m.

5th Kindergarten Concert
6:30 p.m.

5th & 6th
Mom's & Muffins
7:50 a.m. to 8:20 a.m.

6th AM Kindergarten attends

9th Ms. Christensen and Ms.
Plucker's Field Trip to The
Seattle Aquarium 9:00 a.m. to
2:30 p.m.



May 2011

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MSP Testing Schedule

All tests begin first thing in the morning!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 3rd Grade Reading	4	5 3rd Grade Math 5th Grade Reading	6	7
8	9	10 4th Grade Reading 5th Grade Math	11 4th Grade Writing	12 5th Grade Science	13	14
15	16	17 4th Grade Math 6th Grade Reading	18 4th Grade Writing 6th Grade Math	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	4/5/6 (Mrs. Purdy's class schedule) 4th Grade Writing May 4th, 4/5/6 Reading May 5th, 4/5 Math May 10th, 4th Writing May 11th, 5th Science May 11th, 6th Math May 11th. 4/5 (Mrs. Wilkin's class schedule) 4th Grade as listed above 5th Grade—Math May 10th, Science May 11th and Reading May 17th			

On behalf of the students and staff here at Little Cedars we would like to thank our wonderful WATCH D.O.G.S. who have given their time to spend with our students over the past week's.

Chris Eilitz	Clayton Morgan	Kevin Kasper	Jason Wendt
Dave Menzimer	Mark Stringer	Bill Clark	
Steve Schmito	Brian Godines	Andy Bellak	Jon Hall
	Frits Brouwers	Edward Sayed	
Todd Grubb	Brian Ritter	Edgar vonTrotha	

A Special Thank You to:

The following Scouts who helped clean up our school grounds. The cub scouts are part of Pack 193.

Brendon Lutz, Jack Maley, Zachary Anderson, Kyler Moore, Ethan Kelly, Jack Russo, Derek Hilby, Spencer Summers, Jaeden Byerly, Ryan Riviera, Kyle Grubb, Carter Schmitt, Evan Brees,

Girl Scouts Brownies: Haley Russo, Olivia Scherzinger. Daisies: Ella Brees, Ella Byerly, Marin Pride, Kammie Elings, Meleah Moore, Lillian Hyatt

Thank you to Karen Bullard, Jennifer Rasar and the Auction Committee for hosting a wonderful auction! A GREAT time was had by all!!! Our thanks to the Little Cedars families for your generous support of this important fundraiser.

The following fliers are available this week on the district website

All School Fliers

Glacier Peak Night of the Arts - May 19 (4/25/11), SHS Night of the Arts - May 26 (4/25/11)

May - National Bike Month (4/25/11), Next Phase Football Academy - Ages 8-17 (4/25/11)

May 7 Japan Relief Concert - Knowmads (4/22/11), Youth Volleyball League - Summer (4/19/11)

Elementary School Fliers

Peace Village (4/25/11), Softball With Attitude Camp - May 1 (4/21/11)

Taekwondo For Kids - Summer Day Camp (4/20/11)

Elementary and Middle School Fliers

i9 Sports Camps (4/25/11), YMCA of Snohomish County - Summer Camps (4/20/11)

Grizzly Basketball Camp - Boys (4/19/11), Grizzly Basketball Camp - Girls (4/19/11)

Little Cedars Elementary Fliers

Rocket Into Spring - Scouting (4/25/11)



2010-11 Kindergarten

Applications for next year's kindergarten class are now available in the LCE office. Please see the Little Cedars website for more information.

Tours are scheduled for prospective Kindergarten parents that include a Q & A time with our principal, Mrs. Brockman, a tour of the school and a visit to a kindergarten classroom.

Please call the school office (360-563-2900) to reserve your space for a specific date. This time is for adults only.

Wednesday, February 23 - 12:00 -1:00 pm-Cancelled due to weather

Monday, March 21 - 8:30 - 9:30 am-Completed

Tuesday, April 12 - 1:00 - 2:00 pm-Completed

Thursday, May 12 - 10:00 - 11:00 am

Friday, June 3 - 9:00 - 10:00 am

Meningococcal disease is a serious infection that can cause meningitis and take the life of a child in just a single day. While meningitis is rare, certain lifestyle factors - such as sharing water bottles, drinking glasses, and kissing - can put even healthy kids at risk for getting the disease. Parents can help protect their children against meningitis by getting them vaccinated.

Anyone can get meningococcal meningitis, but preteens and teens are at greater risk and 5 times more likely to die compared with other age groups. In fact, health officials recommend vaccination for preteens and teens. Despite this, in Washington, nearly half of adolescents ages 13 through 17 have not been vaccinated against the disease, leaving many unprotected.

Preventing meningitis is particularly important because the disease moves quickly and can be hard to recognize, especially in its early stages, because symptoms are similar to flu-like symptoms. Vaccination is safe and effective and the best way to help protect against the disease.

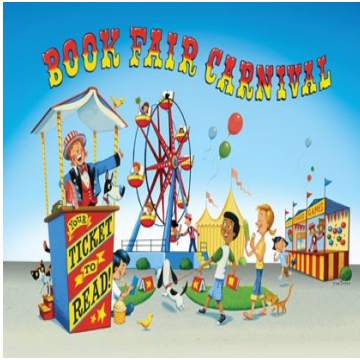
The cost of the vaccine is covered by most health insurance plans. Parents can contact the local public health department to determine if their child is eligible to receive the vaccine free of charge through programs like the Vaccines for Children Program.

To learn more visit www.VoicesOfMeningitis.org. You can also contact me @ rose.flaherty@sno/wednet.edu , School Nurse

Rather than having a food drive twice per year at Little Cedars Elementary for miscellaneous food items, we will be having an on-going food drive all during the school year. This will help the food bank meet the increasing needs in our community. The food bank has provided us with a list of foods that they are in need of. Each month we will be collecting one specific food item. Please see the list below for the monthly donations.

May—Canned Meals (Chili, ect.)

June—Your favorite food!!!



Book Fair by the Numbers

87 = number of books donated to classrooms

\$540.58 = value of donated books to classrooms

\$178.33 = value of gift certificates to classrooms

\$164.96 = value of 20% discount to staff (taken from book fair profits)

\$883.87 = TOTAL VALUE OF BOOK FAIR DIRECTLY TO CLASSROOMS

The LCE Library earned \$2,909.81 in cash profits from the fair. In addition, we pulled \$563.41 worth of books from the fair as part of our profit.

Thanks to the students, parents, teachers and community members who supported the fair. The success of the fair wholly depends on the participation of many. While we are unable to thank everyone personally, we would like to publically thank the volunteers who worked the fair: Susan Calabrese, Lisa Baker, Susan Fuller, Teddi Yaeger, Stephanie Eilitz, Victoria Crowe, Connie Hellmund, Susan Yip, Dawna Crowe, Danita Wright, Sheri Hight, Ashley Zimmerman and Moria Green.

The LCE Library Staff is pleased to announce the winners of our guessing game contest held during the Spring Book Fair. Students could make a guess as to the number of pieces of candy in the jar. The correct answer was 131. Prizes were awarded as follows:

Grand Prize Winner: Darbie Wright, Grade 6: Mrs. Sudmeier. Only student to correctly guess 131!

Grade 6 (TIE): Nicholas Bates, Mrs. Sudmeier; guessed 132, Lexi Johndrow, Ms. Sanchez; guessed 132

Grade 5: Jacob To, Ms. Leck; guessed 130

Grade 4 (TIE): Jaiden Hailey, Ms. Koch, guessed 130, Rylee Guimont, Mrs. Petruzzi-Benson, guessed 130, Timothy Andreyev, Mrs. Petruzzi-Benson, guessed 130

Grade 3: Leah Stroup, Mrs. Mattson, guessed 132

Grade 2: Brogan Turner, Ms. Christensen, guessed 136

Grade 1: Colby Holmdahl, Ms. Filer, guessed 130

Kindergarten: Kya Crabtree, Mrs. McMaster, guessed 130

Winners received posters, books, and other small prizes. Congratulations and thanks to everyone for a successful book fair.



LCE Library Reading Club

Students have stepped up to the challenge and are flying toward reaching the goals of the "Take Flight: Read" Library Reading Club. Congratulations to these students who have achieved their goal and still are soaring to new heights:

Carly Ahrens	Mrs. Plucker	Grade 2
Caelan Briggs	Ms. Duvardo/Mrs. Bielski	Grade 4
Ella Byerly	Ms. Poier	Grade 1
Nicolas Hellmund	Mrs. Beck	Grade 2
Ethan Kelly	Mrs. Graves	Grade 3
Angelina Offin	Mrs. Beck	Grade 2
Joshua Pulanco	Mrs. Petruzzi-Benson	Grade 4
Tyler Radtke	Mrs. Carr	Grade 1
Abby Winckler	Mrs. Coad	Grade 5

Students in grades 1 and 2 need to read 100 books during the school year, students in grades 3 and 4 need to read 1,500 pages during the school year and students in grades 5 and 6 need to read 3,000 pages during the school year. Questions? Visit the library web site at <http://www.wix.com/terrijeffrey/lcelibrary/page-1> or contact Mrs. Jeffrey by email at terri.jeffrey@sno.wednet.edu.

Get ready to beat your gym teacher!!

Join us on June 4th at 9:00am at Willis Tucker Park for our 9th Annual Fun Run.

1 and 2 Mile Options

Pre Register by May 9th to guarantee free drawstring sports bag.

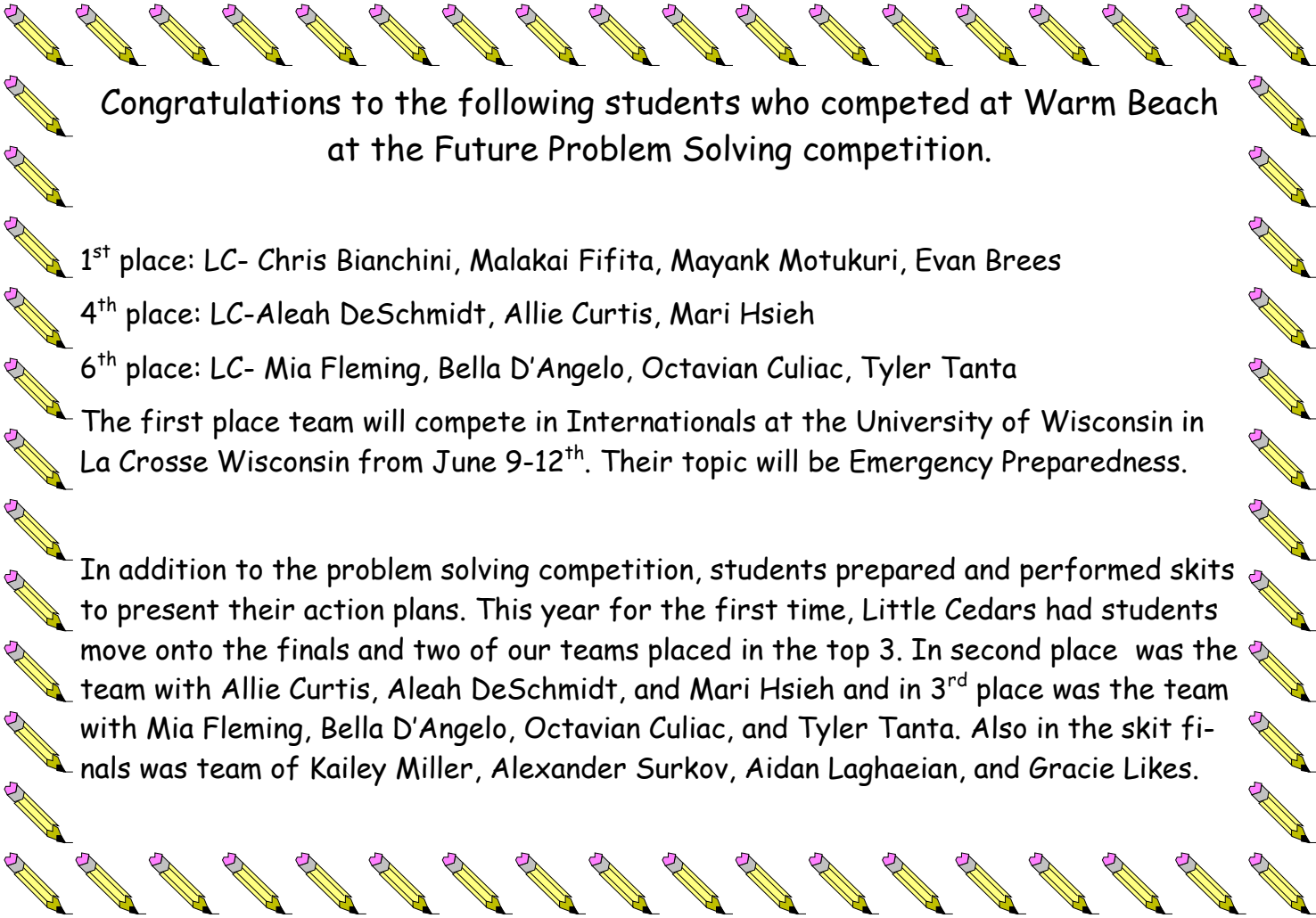
Individual cost \$10.00

Students and staff \$5.00

Family entry \$25.00

Registration forms available in the office or at www.littlecedarspta.org

If any questions, please call Nancy Godines @ 360-863-3776



Congratulations to the following students who competed at Warm Beach at the Future Problem Solving competition.

1st place: LC- Chris Bianchini, Malakai Fifita, Mayank Motukuri, Evan Brees

4th place: LC-Aleah DeSchmidt, Allie Curtis, Mari Hsieh

6th place: LC- Mia Fleming, Bella D'Angelo, Octavian Culiac, Tyler Tanta

The first place team will compete in Internationals at the University of Wisconsin in La Crosse Wisconsin from June 9-12th. Their topic will be Emergency Preparedness.

In addition to the problem solving competition, students prepared and performed skits to present their action plans. This year for the first time, Little Cedars had students move onto the finals and two of our teams placed in the top 3. In second place was the team with Allie Curtis, Aleah DeSchmidt, and Mari Hsieh and in 3rd place was the team with Mia Fleming, Bella D'Angelo, Octavian Culiac, and Tyler Tanta. Also in the skit finals was team of Kailey Miller, Alexander Surkov, Aidan Laghaeian, and Gracie Likes.

Attention LCE Parents:

Little Cedars' next parenting forum is May 11th.

Please register by Wed. May 4th by emailing louise.gross@sno.wednet.edu

So we can prepare materials and reserve a place for childcare which is provided for ages 3+. A copy of our parenting forum flyer is attached to this newsletter.

We hope to see you there!! Louise Gross and Cathy McMaster

LITTLE CEDARS

KIDS HELPING KIDS CLOTHING DRIVE

Our Student Council has been hard at work trying to decide which Community Service Project we would like to do this year. Our student leaders really felt it was important to do something that helps kids in the Snohomish area. The community service project the A.S.B. has decided to support this year is Kids Dreams.

Kids Dreams mission is to help fulfill the dreams of abused and neglected children in Snohomish County by providing opportunities that develop their skills, talents and self-esteem. Some of the activities include music lessons, sports, summer camps, prom dresses, art supplies and many other important activities and materials. When we contacted Kids Dreams on ways we could help they said they have a high need of clothing for kids of all ages.

Beginning May 2nd and running through May 20th we will be collecting donations of new and gently used clothing for Little Cedars Kids Helping Kids Clothing Drive. Families and Staff thank you so much for your support once again!

Sue Sporrong



Lost and Found is overflowing!!

Please stop by and find that missing item or remind your children to stop by and find it.

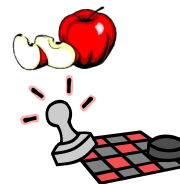


3rd Annual

Wolverine



Kids' Night



Mrs. Carr, Ms. McCormack, Ms. Erickson, Mrs. Gates, Mrs. Halstead, and Mrs. Generous invite forty children from Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd Grade to join them for a pizza dinner, crafts, dancing, movies, and more on Friday, June 3, 2011 from 5:30-8:30 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room/Gym of Little Cedars Elementary. Children may move from room to room at their leisure, and participate in whichever activities interest them. A fun time will be had by all!

DATE: Friday, June 3, 2011
TIME: 5:30 – 8:30 p.m.
PLACE: Multipurpose Room/Gym,
Little Cedars Elementary School-
COST: \$30 per child (grades K – 2nd)

If you are interested in buying a spot for Wolverine Kids' Night, please:

- 1. Complete the Purchase Form below***
- 2. Complete the attached Emergency Contact/Photo Consent Form***
- 3. Include cash or a check made payable to LCE PTA for \$30 per spot***

Return to Peggy McCormack, Room 111, by Friday, May 13th

Thank you!

Please return to Peggy McCormack, Room 111, by Friday, May 13th Please print. Thank you!

I am purchasing ☐ spot(s) for Wolverine Kids' Night at \$30.00 each. I have enclosed the following:

- ☐ A check made payable to **LCE PTA**, or cash, in the amount of \$ _____
☐ Emergency Contact/Photo Consent Form for each child

The children attending Wolverine Kids' Night are:

Student Name

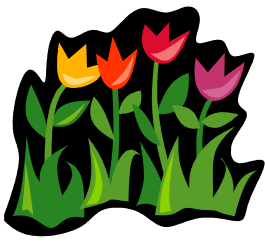
Teacher

Student Name

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8	9 Ms. Christensen and Ms. Plucker's Field Trip to Seattle Aquarium from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30	10	11 Parenting Class	12 Kindergarten Tour 10:00 a.m.	13 ASB sponsored Twin Day PM Kindergarten attends	14
15	16	17 PTA Meeting 7:00 p.m.	18	19 ^{4,5,6} Field Trip Celebration of the Arts/ Volunteer Celebration 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.	20 AM Kindergarten attends	21
22	23	24	25	26 3rd Grade Field Trip to Pike Place Market 8:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. A.S.B. Elections	27 Grizzly Pals visit for lunch PM Kindergarten attends A.S.B. Elections	28
29 	30 No School	31 First Grade concert 6:30				